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Name of Study Task Group: Accessible Bathing Facilities

Scope and Objectives: Review and determine required bathing/shower fixtures and accessories for all occupancies where provided, that are safe and effective. Make recommendations to the Committee for any changes to the Standard.

Tasks: Considerations include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Scoping for tub/showers. Consider only allowing tub showers with removable seats if the tub/shower is required by code. Tub seats can be dangerous. Is the head end shower usable?
2. Research tub seats on the market today looking at safety and security when installed to find common elements that could be specified to ensure safety.
3. Compile ergonomic data on transfer onto bench to determine height and recommended position: reach to controls to determine appropriate location.
4. Review tubs on the market today looking at the variety of rim heights and their impact on the final mounting height of tub grab bars.
5. Compile ergonomic data on transfer into tub or onto tub bench to determine safe height.
6. Review controls and position for hand showers.
7. Are multiple controls needed in tubs and showers.
8. Review diverter switches (operating force, design, and location).
9. Review drain location and design (e.g., channel type drains?)
10. Review separation between the clear floor space at a transfer shower curb or tub wall (due to nail flange protruding into CFS).
11. Review openings in seats and slope on seats.
12. Review location of soap dishes and other storage elements.
13. Review curtains and enclosures.
14. Consider vertical (floor to ceiling) grab bars and whether it is strictly a public health and safety issue or if it overlaps accessibility.

Objective: Draft language as appropriate for use of safe and appropriate equipment or positioning of such equipment.

Timetable: Develop and submit recommendations for consideration in the current A117.1 revision cycle.

Appointments:

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